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REFERENCES

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25X1	1. [REDACTED] a small submarine was in Tsingtao.
25X1	2. [REDACTED] a submarine was secured alongside a mole on the eastern side of the Great Harbor, Tsingtao. She was about 50 feet long and had a conning tower about four feet high. No personnel was seen on the submarine. <sup>1</sup>
25X1	3. Two landing craft and an undetermined number of "speed boats" were engaged in a smoke-screen exercise in Tsingtao [REDACTED]
25X1	4. [REDACTED] five armed LST's were in Tsingtao.
25X1	5. A 200-foot naval vessel, possibly a trawler, <sup>2</sup> entered Tsingtao [REDACTED]
25X1	6. [REDACTED] the following naval vessels were at Tsingtao: a. Five LST's (shown at position B on Attachment C). b. One submarine (shown at position A on Attachment C). <sup>4</sup> c. One tug, the LAO SHAN (0525/1472), used by merchant shipping but painted grey and believed to be a naval vessel. d. One vessel, believed to be the former CLOVERLOCK (shown at position C on Attachment C), <sup>5</sup> arrived at Tsingtao [REDACTED]
25X1	7. [REDACTED] four LST's and one LSM were at anchor in the Inner Harbor, Tsingtao. There was a typhoon warning at Tsingtao during this period and these vessels, as well as merchant ships, had cleared the port.

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- 25X1 8. [redacted] two LST's were under repair alongside the dockyard in the Boat Harbor, Tsingtao.
- 25X1 9. [redacted] three armed naval vessels, either tugs or YMS's, were anchored off Cape Evelyn, Outer Harbor, Tsingtao and a fourth similar vessel was under way in the same area. Eight armed MFV-type vessels were at the northern end of the Commercial Harbour, Tsingtao [redacted]
- 25X1 10. A submarine was at Tsingtao [redacted] 6
- 25X1 11. [redacted] two LST's, painted light grey, were anchored off Number 3 Mole, Tsingtao. One submarine, about 100 feet, was secured alongside Number 5 Mole, with no personnel observed aboard. An unidentified naval vessel, possibly a frigate, lay to the north of Number 3 Mole.
12. A naval vessel<sup>7</sup> entered Tsingtao [redacted] and anchored to the north of Number 3 Mole. [redacted] a naval vessel entered Tsingtao [redacted] 25X1 towing a target. [redacted] there had been naval gunnery practice near Tsingtao. Ship to ship light signals were observed as she entered. 25X1
- 25X1 13. [redacted] a naval vessel, possibly a frigate, entered Tsingtao.

Comments.

1. A sketch of the submarine is presented as Attachment A.
2. A sketch of the trawler is presented as Attachment B.
3. A sketch of Tsingtao Harbor is presented as Attachment C.
4. A sketch of the submarine is presented as Attachment D.
5. A sketch of the former CLOVERLOCK is presented as Attachment E.
6. A sketch of the submarine is presented as Attachment F.
7. A sketch of the naval vessel is presented as Attachment G.

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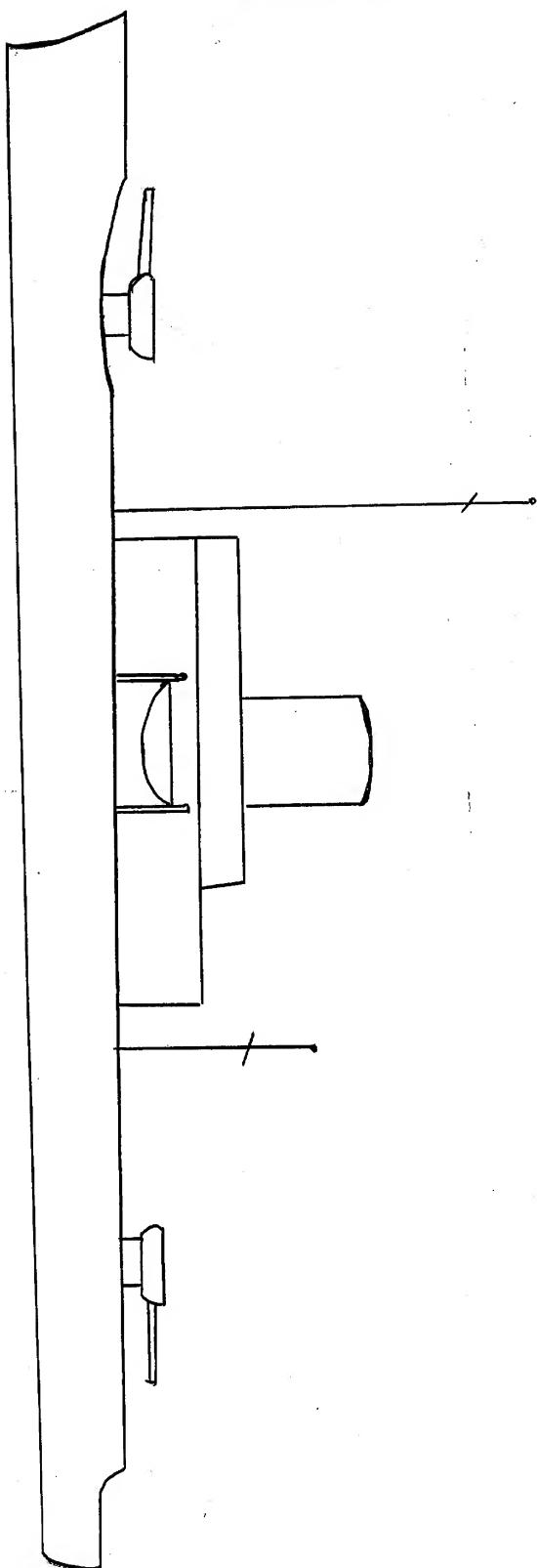
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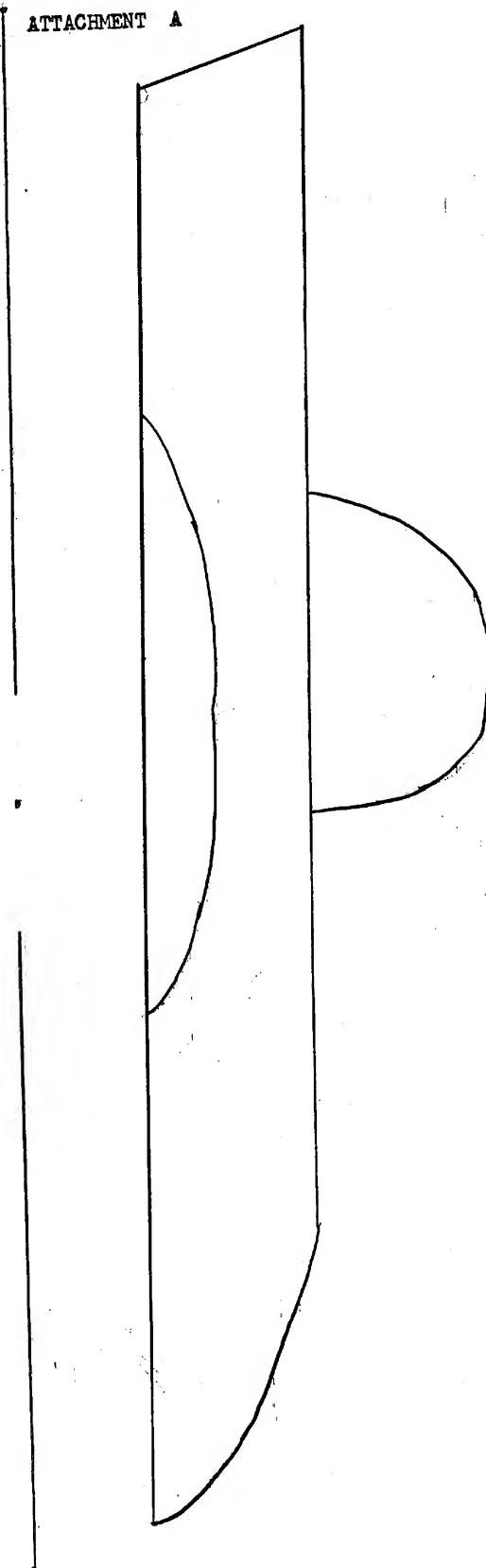
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ATTACHMENT B



ATTACHMENT A



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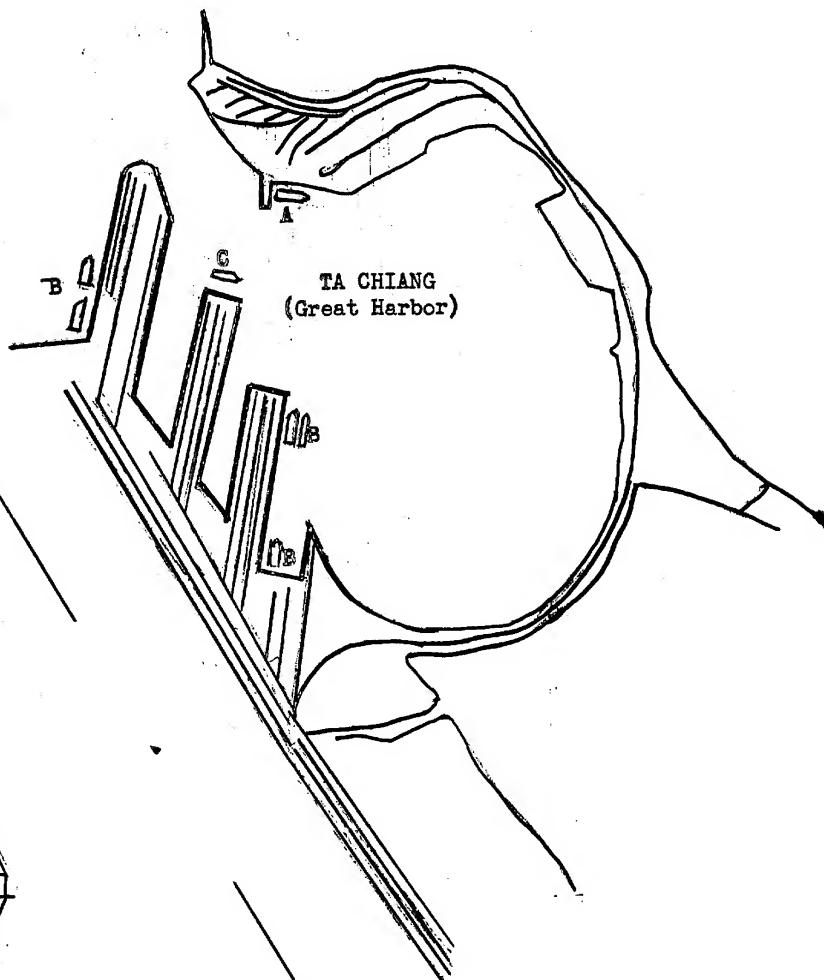
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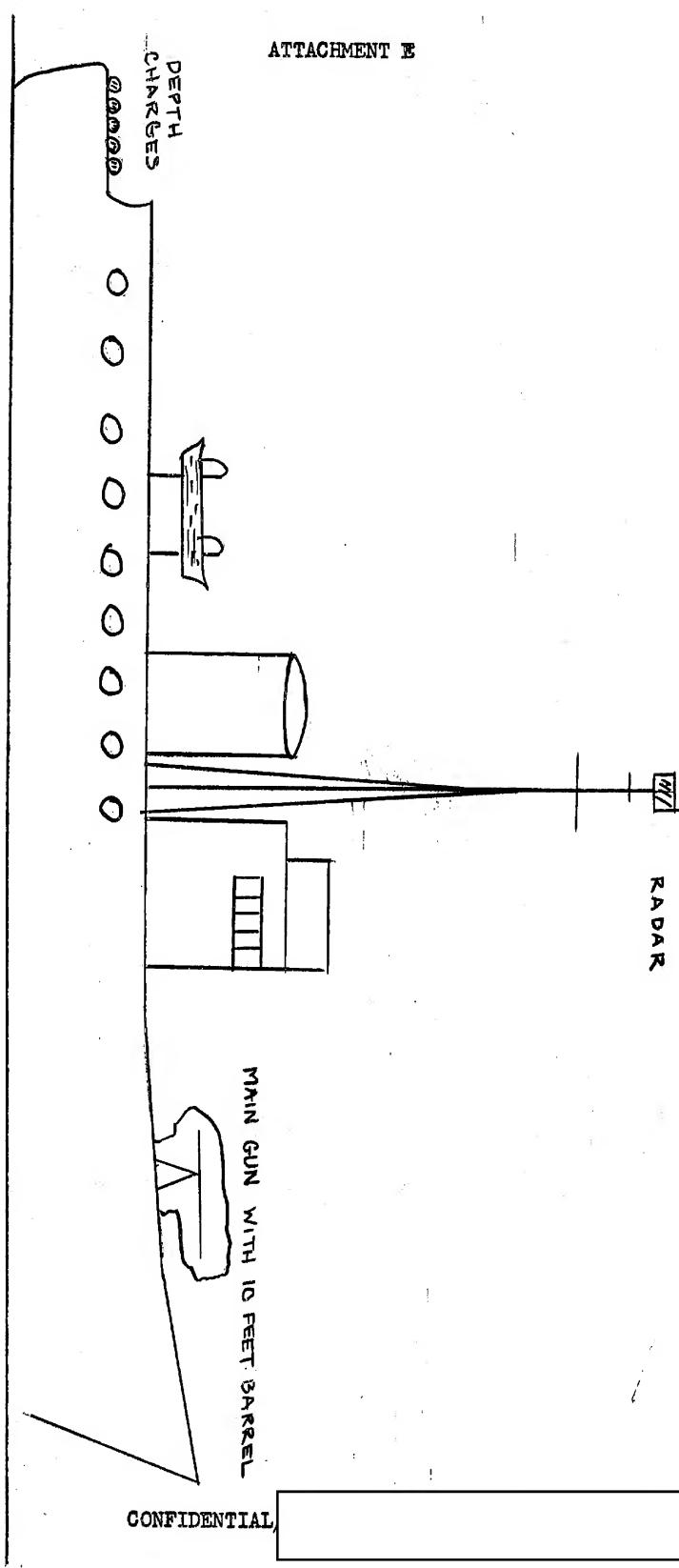
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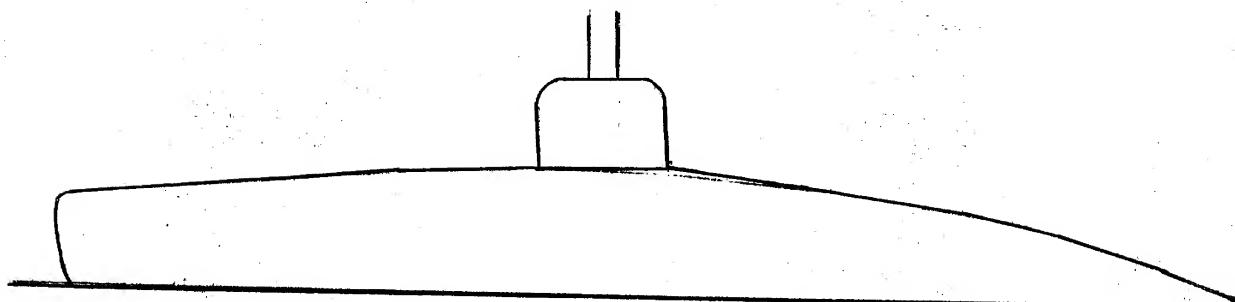
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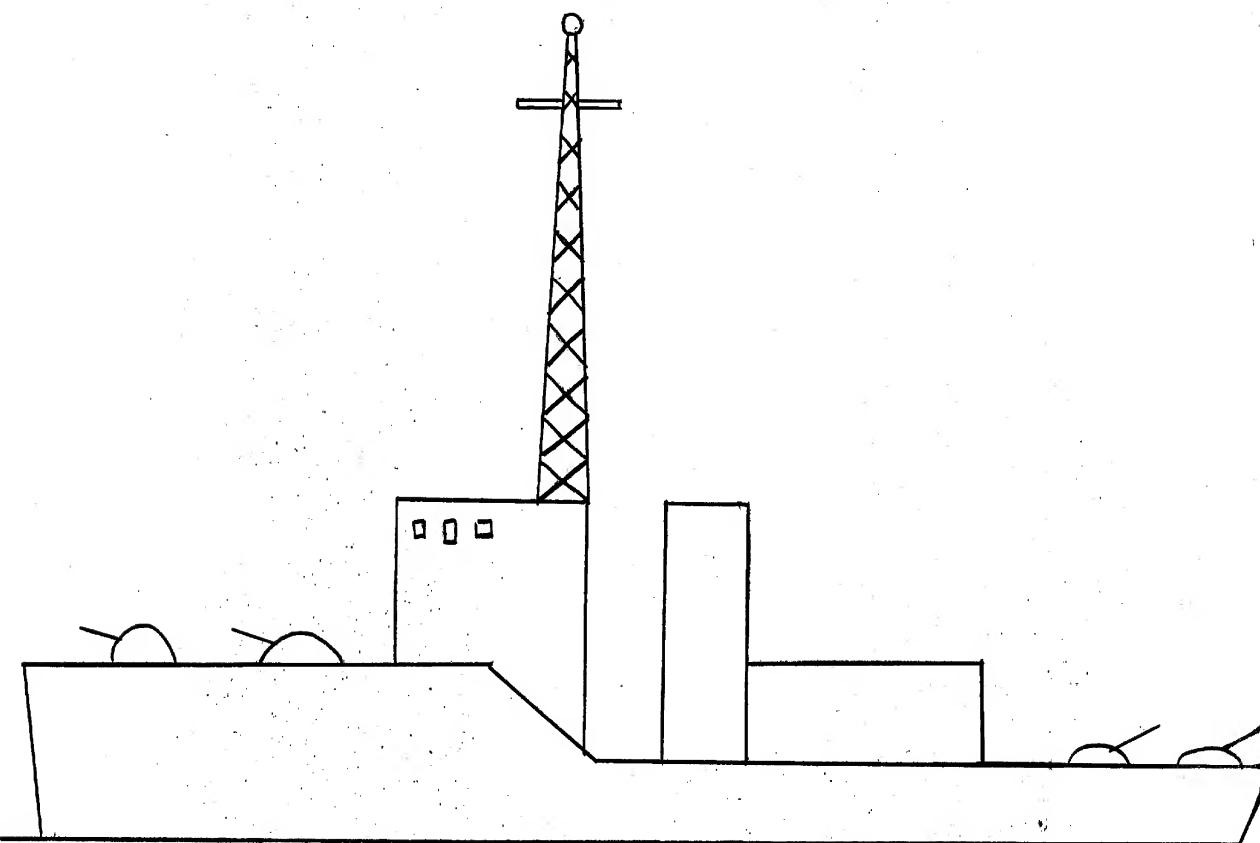
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